uniformly distributed individual exposure areas 716 with constant spacing throughout the target area, randomly distributed individual exposure areas 716 within the target area, and/or regularly distributed individual exposure areas 716 with constant average spacing with randomly shifted location. In particular, having regularly distributed individual exposure areas 716 with constant average spacing with randomly shifted location may be useful to minimize undesirable effects, which may occur during multiple treatments. Such multiple treatments are utilized to cover the entire area as homogeneously as possible by the individual exposure areas 716 during the course of multiple treatments. However, uniformly distributed individual exposure areas 716 with constant spacing throughout the target area may create unwanted spatial distributions similar to moiré patterns, resulting in spatial interference macroscopic patterns generated with a distance in between the areas of exposure which have a significant spatial period. In order to minimize the occurrence of moiré patterns, a randomized shift within the range of 10 to 50% of the average distance between individual exposure areas 716 during a single scan may be utilized.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-62 and 110-112 without prejudice. In addition, please amend claims 63, 66, 68, 70, 72-79, 82-90, 94-98, 102, 103, and 105-109, and add new claims 113-139 as provided below. The listing of these claims are provided on separate sheets as follows: